

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-29 are pending in the instant application. Claims 1-12, 16-20 and 29 have been cancelled. New claims 30-45 have been entered. The Applicant requests reconsideration of the claims in view of the following amendments reflected in the listing of claims.

Listing of claims:

1-12. (Cancelled)

13. (Previously Presented) A system for reformatting media content, comprising:

a first server operatively coupled to a network;

a second server operatively coupled to the first server;

a first communications device operatively coupled to the network, the first communications device sending a device profile of the first communications device to the first server; and

a second communications device operatively coupled to the network, the second communications device sending media content to the first server,

wherein the second server receives the media content from the first server and wherein the second server reformats the media content based on the device profile of the first communications device.

14. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 13, wherein the second server communicates the reformatted media content to the first server, and wherein the first server communicates the reformatted media content to the first communications device.

15. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 13, wherein the second server stores the device profile of the first communications device for use in reformatting other media content destined for the first communications device.

16-20. (Cancelled)

21. (Previously Presented) A method for reformatting media content, comprising:

receiving, by a first server, a device profile of a first communications device;

receiving, by a second server operatively coupled to the first server, media content destined for the first communications device, the second server being operatively coupled to the first communications device via a network; and

reformatting, by the second server, the media content based on the device profile received by the first server.

22. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 21, comprising:
sending, by a second communications device, the device profile of the first communications device to the first server; and

sending, by the second communications device, the media content to the second server, the second communications device being operatively coupled to the first server and the second server via the network.

23. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 21, comprising:
sending, by the first communications device, the device profile of the first communications device to the first server; and

sending, by a second communications device, the media content to the second server, the second communications device being operatively coupled to the second server via the network.

24. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 21, wherein the reformatted media content is supported by the first communications device.

25. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 21, comprising:

requesting, by the first communications device, the media content from a second communications device.

26. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 21, comprising:
sending the reformatted media content to the first communications device via the network.

27. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 21, comprising:
storing the device profile at the second server for use in reformatting other media content destined for the first communications device.

28. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 21, comprising:
sending, by the first communications device, the device profile to the first server; and
sending, by the first communications device, the media content to the second server.

29. (Cancelled)

30. (New) The system according to claim 13, wherein the second server comprises a dedicated format conversion server.

31. (New) The system according to claim 13, wherein the first communications device requests the media content from the second communications device.

32. (New) The system according to claim 13, wherein the first communications device can update the device profile.

33. (New) The system according to claim 13, wherein the first communications device is coupled to the network via a first headend, and wherein the second communications device is coupled to the network via a second headend.

34. (New) The system according to claim 13, wherein one or more of the first communications device, the second communications device, the first server and the second server comprises a software platform that can provide one or more of user-interface functionality, distributed storage functionality and networking functionality.

35. (New) The system according to claim 13, wherein one or more of the first communications device, the second communications device, the first server

and the second server comprises a software platform that can provide one or more of device registration, channel setup, program setup, management and security.

36. (New) The system according to claim 13, wherein one or more of the first communications device, the second communications device, the first server and the second server is adapted to provide one or more of distributed networking capability, archival functionality, temporary storage capability, storage manager capability and digital rights manager capability.

37. (New) The system according to claim 13, wherein the device profile comprises information related to media capabilities of the first communications device.

38. (New) The method according to claim 21, wherein the second server comprises a dedicated format conversion server.

39. (New) The method according to claim 21, wherein the first communications device can update the device profile.

40. (New) The method according to claim 22, wherein the first communications device requests the media content from the second communications device.

41. (New) The method according to claim 22, wherein the first communications device is coupled to the network via a first headend, and wherein the second communications device is coupled to the network via a second headend.

42. (New) The method according to claim 22, wherein one or more of the first communications device, the second communications device and the server comprises a software platform that can provide one or more of user-interface functionality, distributed storage functionality and networking functionality.

43. (New) The method according to claim 22, wherein one or more of the first communications device, the second communications device and the server comprises a software platform that can provide one or more of device registration, channel setup, program setup, management and security.

44. (New) The method according to claim 22, wherein one or more of the first communications device, the second communications device and the server is

adapted to provide one or more of distributed networking capability, archival functionality, temporary storage capability, storage manager capability and digital rights manager capability.

45. (New) The method according to claim 21, wherein the device profile comprises information related to media capabilities of the first communications device.